

The State of Texas,

COUNTY OF *Saraco*

Know all Men by these Presents:

That *I* John N. Ely of the County and State aforesaid

have made, constituted and appointed, and by these presents, do make constitute and appoint *John M. Gayce* of the county of Gonzales and State of Texas *my* true and lawful attorney for *me* and in *my* name place and stead

*to procure from the Government of the State of Texas my Pension allowed me by an act of the 14 Legislature as allowed ~~me by an act~~ a Soldier of the Republic of Texas and to take all legal steps necessary to obtain the same same and I do hereby authorize my said attorney to sell and dispose of any and all Treasury warrants or Bonds that he may my said attorney may receive in payment of my said pension to any person to whom he may see fit and at any price he may be able to get*

hereby giving and granting *my* said attorney full power and authority, to do and perform any and all acts and things, necessary to be done in and about said business as, fully as *I* might do, if personally present, with power of substitution, hereby ratifying and confirming all that *my* said attorney, or his substitute shall lawfully do by virtue hereof. And whereas said *John M. Gayce* will have to incur considerable

expense, and will have to employ legal counsel to assist him in said business; therefore, know all whom it may concern, that in consideration of the services performed, and to be performed by said *John M. Gayce*

in *my* behalf in the business above mentioned *I* do hereby give grant, sell, convey and deliver to said *John M. Gayce* ~~in twenty~~ twenty per

cent of all that he may be able to obtain for me as per contract

In witness whereof *I* do hereunto set *my* hand this  
this the *9* day of *August* A.D. 187*4*

Witness

*Shadrach Gayce*

*John N. Ely*  
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